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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO COMPLY AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This Response is being filed in connection with the Notice to Comply with Sequence Requirements mailed October 28, 2002. Applicant has been given Two Months to respond to the Notice, i.e., by December 28, 2002. Accordingly, this Response is timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

**Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 5, with the following rewritten paragraph:**

-- Figures 2A through 2C are flow charts schematically showing the amplification steps that may be used to construct a recombinant polynucleotide of this invention. (SEQ ID NOS: 7-12).